DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARD DISTRICT IV

January 17, 2001 7:00 p.m. Stanley/Aley Community School Center, 1749 South Martinson www.wichitagov.org

Members Present

Council Member Bill Gale

June Bailey Chris Carraher

Tom Kessler

Edwin Koon

Jerry McGinty

Wayne Wells Bea Vickers **Members Absent**

Dorman Blake Iola Crandall

Bonny Johnson-Patrick

Paul Ward

Guests

Officer Anthony Bamberger

Lt. Eric Bastian

ORDER OF BUSINESS

At 7:00 p.m. **Council Member Bill Gale** called the meeting to order. **Jerry McGinty (Vickers)** moved to approve the minutes of the December 6th, 2000 meeting as amended. (7-0) **Chris Carraher** (**McGinty**) moved to accept the agenda as amended to include an item pertaining to one-way streets in the downtown corridor. (7-0)

PUBLIC AGENDA

At this time the DAB will hear public comments regarding individual citizen comment on issues not on the agenda pertaining to the City of Wichita.

None Submitted.

PLANNING AGENDA

1. **ZON2000-054**

This request for a zone change from "SF-6" Single Family Residential to "MH" Manufactured Housing was withdrawn at the request of the developer. The item may be resubmitted at a later date.

Action Taken: Withdrawn

<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

2. <u>Wichita – Sedgwick County Citizen Police Academy</u>

The Wichita Police Department and the Sedgwick County Sheriff's Department are providing a program, which provides citizens with pertinent information regarding the inner workings of local law enforcement. The program is thirteen weeks in duration, meeting in the evenings from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and each week participants learn about various aspects of the law enforcement profession. Participants must be at least twenty years of age. The Wichita Police Department staff contact is Kelly Godfrey, 838-9611.

Officer Bamberger recommended the training to anyone that is interested. **Bamberger** has participated in the program and believes it is excellent training.

Action Taken: Received and filed.

3. One-way streets in the Downtown Corridor

Jerry McGinty reported that the City of Wichita might be considering changing Main Street north of Douglas into a two-way street. **McGinty** is concerned that with this change there will be an increase in traffic volume and a potential increase in the number of traffic accidents.

Council Member Gale commented that Main Street in between Douglas and Kellogg was made into a two-way street several years ago. **Gale** added that he shares the same safety concerns and that any proposed street changes would be discussed via the public hearing process.

Edwin Koon stated the streets in the downtown corridor were originally two-way streets and that the intersection at Main and Douglas should be made more efficient by installing a turn signal.

Wayne Wells remarked that Market Street was formerly a one-way street going south. Market Street remains a one-way street, but now cars travel north on Market Street. **Wells** stated that the original reasoning for the one-way streets was to provide smoother traffic flow through the downtown corridor, which was once the hub of the City of Wichita. **Wells** suggested the streets should all remain one-way, or they should all be made two-way streets.

Council Member Gale asked the DAB to stay informed of any developments, and that the item may reach the DAB at some point.

Action Taken: None

NEIGHBORHOOD AGENDA

4. Neighborhood Calendar

DAB Members and **Private Citizens** may announce neighborhood and community happenings and place events on the District IV Calendar.

Council Member Gale informed the DAB that a compensation increase for the Mayor and City Council would be appearing as an item on the City Council agenda. The item will be discussed at the January 23rd City Council meeting.

District IV Advisory Board comments included: 1) concerns with the amount of the increase; 2) whether the position would be considered full-time; 3) if there is a need for increases with our Council-Manager form of government; 4) and that the City-Council is underpaid considering the amount of work involved.

Council Member Gale announced he would need to make another appointment to the Planning Review Board due to **June Bailey** becoming the Executive Director of Community Housing Services.

June Bailey reported 85 people attended the Orchard Breeze Christmas party. Orchard Breeze will be celebrating its five-year anniversary in March.

Wayne Wells reported that the Delano neighborhood and business associations presented their neighborhood plan. 120 people were in attendance as the association's asked for the support of the MAPC.

Wells also reported that Delano has scheduled a neighborhood clean up for June 2nd, 2001.

Edwin Koon reported the Library Board has decided on a name for the South Branch Library. The name will be announced at the January 23rd City Council meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Donte L. Martin, Neighborhood Assistant